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Struck by the Cars.

Jeremiah C. Wallace, of 624 Alger avenue, an old man employed by the Laverock Screen Co., was struck by a Grand Trunk passenger train Monday evening while going home from work. His right ear was torn off by contact with the cinders, and he was otherwise cut and bruised.

Pacific Express Co.

William Dowling is to be the agent for the Pacific Express Company, which will begin to do business here Jan. 1. The company will have offices in the building occupied by Dr. W. E. Ward until spring, when Daniel Burhans will erect a two story brick store, for the company's business.

School Board.

The school board met Tuesday evening and decided to purchase the coal required for the balance of the school year at four dollars per ton from Tod Kincaid. This price includes delivery. The board expressed its hearty sympathy with the idea of erecting a memorial tablet to the memory of James Fred Ross, who was killed while fighting the fire two years ago at the Central school. Supt. Simmons' report recommending the reclassification of one hundred pupils at the beginning of next term was favorably dealt with.

Congregational Bazaar.

The annual bazaar of the Ladies' Social Union was held in the basement of the Congregational church, Tuesday and Wednesday. It proved one of the most successful from every stand point of any ever given by the ladies.

Mrs. J. C. Osburn was chairman of the decorating committee, which artistically trimmed the rooms. Mrs. O. F. Webster presided over the domestic booth, Mrs. C. O. Loring over the fancy work booth, Miss Bessie Johnson the candy booth, Miss Clara Woodard the doll booth, and Mrs. W. E. Collins was in charge of the committee which served supper.

Over three hundred people were fed on Tuesday evening. Lunch was served to a large number on Wednesday evening.

Will Breed Berkshires.

For years the Mound Spring herds of Short Horn cattle and Berkshire swine were known as among the best in the State, being shown at the leading fairs and always capturing a fair share of the best premiums. The proprietor, Mr. J. W. Hibbard, never spared any expense to improve his stock and purchased the best blood to be obtained. A few years ago he gave up stock breeding almost entirely. He has however retained a few good Berkshires all the time and has now decided to again actively engage in breeding this popular breed of swine on a large scale. With this end in view he purchased last week from I. N. Barker & Son, of Thorntown, Ind., a boar sired by the famous sire, Gen. Lee, and two brood sows. The animals represent the best Berkshire blood—coming as they do from one of the oldest and best known herds in the country. He also purchased one sow at the Chicago sale. This will give him with the stock he already had a fine start and the breeders of Berkshires in the State will do well to watch the produce of Mound Spring Farm.

Circuit Court.

In the case of Almon L. Chase vs. Ainsworth & Hammer, a jury in the circuit court last week, gave plaintiff a verdict for \$166. That sum represents a difference in the price of beans which Chase received and what he claims he should have received.

Eliza Clough has been granted a divorce by the circuit court from her husband, William Clough.

Mrs. Blanche Cole Case, of Vernon, has been granted \$100 solicitor's and witness fees, and \$13 per week alimony by the circuit court, pending the trial of her suit for divorce against her husband, Frank D. Case, of Bancroft. Mrs. Case claims an act of her husband caused their child to be blinded in one eye for life, and that the other eye is in jeopardy.

E. A. Todd, Theodore Keblor and Lee R. Clark, of Owosso, are on the jury which is hearing the case of the People vs. Sullivan. Harvey Thomas, of Owosso, was foreman of the Chandler—Olney jury.

The jury in the case of A. L. Chandler, of Corunna, vs. J. G. Olney, of Venice, disagreed Tuesday, after being out twelve hours. Mr. Chandler brought suit for damages, claiming that fourteen fine cattle which he purchased under a guarantee from Mr. Olney for \$500, were impregnated with a mysterious disease which killed five and rendered the other nine worthless. The jury stood six for a verdict for plaintiff, and six for a verdict of no cause of action.

No chance for disappointment if you serve Mrs. Austin's famous Pancakes. All grocers sell it.

La Clear-Leonard Wedding.

One of the prettiest weddings of the season occurred Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar La Clear, of Fairfield, when their daughter, Agnes, was united in marriage to S. Tuttle Leonard, of New York, the Baptist minister of Elsie officiating. About thirty guests were present, relatives and friends of the bride and groom. In one corner of the parlor was a dainty canopy made of white lace, smilax and carnations. The bridal party took their places at the hour of twelve and the wedding vows were soon pronounced, the short, but impressive, ring service being used.

The decorations of the house were simple, but effective, potted plants, smilax, white roses and carnations being used. The bride wore a gown of white corduroy and carried white roses. The groom was attired in black, conventional style. Following the ceremony congratulations and best wishes were extended for some time, when the party was served with a four course dinner in the dining room.

The guests from away were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shickle, of Maple River; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Shickle, of Owosso; Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Beelby, of Owosso; Mr. and Mrs. La Clear, of Ashley; Mr. and Mrs. Comer and daughter, of Henderson; Mr. and Mrs. Huffman, of Oakley.

The Bennington Creamery.

A few figures taken from the report of J. W. Hibbard, manager of the Bennington Creamery Co., for the eleven months and twelve days the creamery has been in operation will be of interest.

Number of pounds of milk received at the factory, 1,497,110; number pounds butter made, 67,479; an average of one pound of butter from 23½ pounds of milk; average price received for butter, 23cts. per pound; total receipts, \$14,959.84; paid to patrons for butter fat, \$11,760.85.

Many of the patrons who have been with the factory from the start, Nov. 18, 1901, to Nov. 1, 1902, received from \$35 to \$45 per cow net. In addition to this 80 per cent of the milk has been returned to them to feed calves and pigs. This is a great addition to the income from the cow, making the keeping of cows and sending milk to the creamery one of the most profitable pursuits of the farm. Moreover all the work of butter making is taken away from the farm, which certainly is pleasing to the farmer's wife.

The Bennington Creamery Co. is in good financial shape; every patron has had his pay in full on or before the 10th of the month for the month previous. All the stockholders are satisfied with the showing made for the first year.

The following patrons have received net proceeds for the eleven months and twelve days as follows: W. R. Drury, seven cows, \$251.87; Geo. A. Cooper, six cows, \$207.66; C. S. Baldwin, seven cows, \$206.44; O. G. Waugh, four cows; \$161.51; Ed. Braugh, seven cows, \$194.03.

Burton.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ubel, of Ovid, visited at David Banghart's Thursday of last week—Mrs. R. E. Vincent and son Royal, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. Vincent—Mesdames D. S. Cramer and E. D. Brooks spent one day the past week with relatives in Ovid—Mrs. G. T. Mason was in town one day last week calling on friends—Miss Lena Giles was the guest of Miss Laura Richards, Friday—Miss Clara Felton visited friends in Gratiot Co. last week—Mrs. John Potter was the guest of Mrs. A. E. Gray, of Ovid, Saturday—Nicholas Harris was the guest of Caleb Parks of Oakley, from Friday until Sunday—Mr. and Mrs. D. Banghart and Mrs. W. C. Stiff and daughter Miss Alice, visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ubel, of Ovid, Friday of last week—D. S. Cramer and U. G. Stiff are building an addition to their barn—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Giles and daughter Miss Lena, entertained Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. John Richards and two daughters Laura and Ella to dinner Thursday, of last week—Mrs. Sarah Dewitt entertained the Disciple Aid society, last Friday—Miss Lena Giles spent from last Saturday until Monday with relatives in Vernon—Misses Alice Edwards and Florence Wilcox entertained Miss Nellie Jenks, of Ovid, to tea Friday—Mrs. Salena Harris and two children visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Parks, of Oakley the last of the week—Mesdames G. C. Rogers and W. C. Stiff were calling on Mrs. Randall, Wednesday—Mrs. E. L. Smythe and son Robert, spent Thursday with Mesdames D. S. Cramer and U. G. Stiff, Thursday—Mrs. W. C. Stiff entertained Mrs. Wm. Giles and daughter Lena, to tea, Thursday—Mrs. E. T. Wilson, of Owosso, was in town Tuesday making farewell calls before taking her departure for the Philippines to join her husband, Dr. Wilson, who is in the U. S. service at the above named place—Mrs. N. L. Randall is still very ill. Her daughter Mrs. Vosburg, of Kalamazoo, is with her.

Society Elections.

LOYAL GUARD.

Capt. General—Theron J. Cooper.
Sr. Captain—Mrs. Helen Gray.
Jr. Captain—G. C. Bluth.
Recorder—L. G. Heyer.
Treasurer—G. M. Jackson.
Sr. Lieut.—Mrs. Glennie May.
Jr. Lieut.—F. L. Rossman.
Chaplain—William Rossman.
First Sergt.—Mrs. Nellie McNamara.
Second Sergt.—William Springer.
Sentinel—Christian Baker.
Board of Auditors—L. G. Brewer, J. D. Crum, Mrs. May Brewer.

RATHBONE SISTERS.

Past Chief—Virginia Starr.
Most Excellent Chief—Sadie Brown.
E. S.—Hattie Dutcher.
E. J.—Carrie Reineke.
Manager—Mrs. D. S. Blair.
M. of R. C.—Ella Crowe.
M. F.—Della Crowe.
P. T.—Luella Dwight.
O. G. T.—Rosa Hughes.
Organist—Elvira Haskell.
Assistant—Gertrude Duffy.
Trustee, three years—May Needham.
Rep. to Grand Lodge—Inez Tooley, Ella Crowe.

Alternates—Hattie Dutcher, Nellie Robbins.

ASHBURY SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Superintendent—Lester Card.
Assistant—Robert King.
2d "—S. R. Hawkins.
Secretary—Alva Goodwin.
Treasurer—Earl Church.
Librarian—Frank Carter.
Chorister—Fred Townsend.
Organist—Miss Lola Goodwin.
CANTON NO. 9, I. O. O. F.
Captain—Dr. C. McCormick.
Lieut.—J. H. Goetzel.
Ensign—J. Q. Able.
Clerk—Albert Schmidt.
Accountant—O. T. Graham.
The other officers are appointive.

ASHBURY QUEEN ESTHER CIRCLE.

President—Edith Kousch.
Vice President—Mabel Goyt.
Rec. Sec.—Myrtle Chatterson.
Cor. Sec.—Emma Foess.
Treasurer—Hazel Goodwin.
C. H. M. Sec.—Nina Dutcher.
Organizer—Annie Sheldon.

COURT OWOSSO FORESTERS.

Chief Ranger—Chas. W. Jennings.
Vice Chief Ranger—Wm. H. Van Sice.

Rec. Sec.—Joseph W. Dingwall.
Fin. Sec.—Elmer E. Henderson.

Treasurer—John T. Walsh.
Orator—Henry W. Mann.

Senior Woodward—David J. Campbell.
Junior Woodward—W. A. Owen.

Senior Beadle—Lawrence W. Doran.
Junior Beadle—Michael M. Doran.

Trustees—Charles W. Jennings, W. H. VanSice, Alfred L. Arnold, Joseph H. Dingwall, John T. Walsh.

Delegate to High Court—Elmer E. Henderson.

Court Deputy—George R. Joy.
Physician—A. L. Arnold.

Past Chief Ranger—Homer G. Howe.
Finance Committee—Alonzo Crane, J. C. Tufford.

Janitor—Henry Johnson.

ASHBURY W. H. M. S.

President—Mrs. F. H. Townsend.
1st Vice President—Mrs. Elizabeth Hurry.

2d Vice President—Mrs. Clara Banghart.

3d Vice President—Mrs. Cordella Thompson.

Treasurer—Mrs. Dana Walton.
Rec. Sec.—Mrs. Lulu Stiff.

Cor. Sec.—Mrs. Gertrude Dutcher.
Leader—Mrs. Cloyse Lewis.

COLFAX REBEKAHS.

N. G.—Mrs. Sarah O'Barry.
V. G.—Mrs. Grace Cole.

Rec. Sec.—Miss Nellie Steggall.
Fin. Sec.—Mrs. Mary Deckert.

Treas.—Mrs. Clara Stanhope.

B. Y. P. U. OFFICERS.

President—Cora Miller.
Vice President—H. Hawcroft.

Secretary—Ethel Love.
Treasurer—Hedley Wickham.

Pianist—May Lawrence.
Assistant Pianist—Lettie Goodale.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. B. A. Lord.

Committee Chairmen:—
Devotional—H. Hawcroft; Member-

ship—Nettie Archer; Missionary—Mrs. O. E. Beoy; Social—Emma Lawrence; Music—Vera Morris; Flower—Clara Osborn.

The society was found to be in a very encouraging condition financially. Much progress was made during the year.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Superintendent—S. D. Emery.
Assistant—W. L. Parker.

Secretary—H. P. White.
Treasurer—Miss Emma Lawrence.

Librarian—Walter Emery.
Chorister—W. H. Bates.

Pianist—Miss Gertrude Emery.
Superintendent Intermediate Department—Mrs. E. E. Henderson.

Organist—Miss Beulah Covert.
Superintendent Primary Department—Miss Lois Rigley.

Olney.

Smith Nethaway threshed beans Tuesday and Wednesday for Bert Thompson, D. V. Bell and Frank Bennett—John Somers will build an addition to his barn in the spring—School in Fairfield district No. 3 has a larger attendance than last season and a teacher that is giving excellent satisfaction so far—We note that Chas. Kline, of Elsie, who lately purchased the L. Chase mill property of that place, will soon have it in readiness to saw—Some of our farmers on the meridian having leisure time on hand have been cutting up the wreckage of trees in their apple orchards which greatly improve their looks—Irve Holbrook's family have the mumps and it is reported that children in other nearby households may have them at any time—George Fields is in Battle Creek where he expects a job as fireman on the railroad—Nicholas Kennedy's funeral was largely attended despite the bad weather Tuesday. The Odd Fellows, of Chapin, of which lodge he was a member, attended the funeral at Ovid where the remains were interred in Oak cemetery. Deceased leaves a wife and four young children—C. M. Randall recently broke an axle out of his bean huller and otherwise damaged the same in a bad rut hole in district 18. This has before been brought to the attention of the proper authorities and before the town pays another \$100 for a horse or something else it should be fixed.

Laingsburg.

John Mackey, who was injured in a corn husker at Charles Starr's in Victor last week, is recovering. He lost a part of one hand—Milton St. Clair, of Ohio, was in town a few days the first of the week—Mr. Brad Acker and wife, of North Dakota, are visiting his brother-in-law, J. F. Lee, the hardware man—Wm. Simpson & Son now occupy the room lately vacated by Brown Brothers, making a double store-room in which to display their stock of furniture—Mr. Bennett, the cheese factory man, will soon occupy the L. A. Skinner place lately vacated by John Haskin—The Catholic church is about completed. The bell has been put in place and the furnace is now being put in. Counting labor, the church when fully completed, will have cost about \$10,000—King's meat market has been moved up into the little market building on the hill—There will be an old fashioned Christmas entertainment at the M. E. church on Christmas eve—A. D. Barnes will open a meat market in the B. E. Barnes building lately occupied by W. E. King—Laingsburg Odd Fellows are doing a thriving business this winter. They lately initiated four members in one evening—The people who raised sugar beets in this locality the past season are well pleased with the result. On the D. R. Corey farm, one mile south of town, Oscar Elliott has raised and sent to the Lansing factory 300 tons of beets. He will clear over \$1,000 on the crop of 20 acres.

Oakley.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Carmody, of Buffalo, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Forbes recently—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Teachout were in Owosso Friday—H. C. Wickham was in St. Charles Friday—Mrs. B. B. Finley and daughter Fern were in Saginaw, Friday—A joint meeting of the school Inspector's of Rush and Brady was held at Henderson Saturday on petition of Henry Jones, Fred Zabel and Michael McPhillips, the N. W. ¼ of Sec. 3, the N. ¼ of Sec. 4 and N. ¼ of the N. E. ¼ of Sec. 5 was detached from school districts No. 2 and 5 in Rush and attached to district No. 1 of Brady.

Prof. Bennett, of Chesaning has organized a singing school here with thirteen members. The class is anxious to swell their numbers to at least twenty-five; they rehearse every Friday evening—Frank Niver has moved his barber outfit away and we are without a barber again—Rev. Wallace announced Sunday that he would preach a special Christmas sermon next Sunday. Let all turn out and hear him—At a meeting of the Sunday School officers held Monday evening it was decided to have a Christmas tree. A short program will be rendered. This is everybody's Christmas tree and not for the Sunday School alone, so come and hang up your gifts—Phil Mickle was in Saginaw Tuesday—H. C. Wickham was in Saginaw on business Tuesday—It is expected that in the near future a "Recital" will be given here by Miss Nellie Miller and a young lady friend. Miss Miller is the daughter of E. Ror Miller, of Chesaning, and is an eloquentist of no small merit—Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hoffman attended the wedding of their nephew, S. T. Leonard to Miss Agnes LaClear, Wednesday, at the home of the bride's parents in Fairfield. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard will spend their honeymoon in New York state visiting relatives of the groom—The Oakley schools will have a vacation during holidays.